

EPA Region 6 Compliance Assurance and Enforcement Division Water Enforcement Branch (800)245-6510 (214)665-7518

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EPA Region 6 issued the final NPDES Construction general permit on July 6, 1998 [63 <u>Fed. Reg.</u> 36489-36519]. All facilities subject to and eligible for the new permit need to apply for permit coverage by submitting a Notice of Intent (NOI) application form (EPA Form 3510-9). The new permit language and the new NOI are both available on the Region 6 Storm Water web page at http://www.epa.gov/region6/sw/ or you may request a copy to be mailed to you by phoning (202)260-7786 or (214)665-7190.

Facilities previously covered by the 1992 Construction general permit that administratively extended their permit by submitting an administratively complete NOI for extension by September 9, 1997, have 90 days from issuance of the permit, to transfer to the new permit. The permit was issued July 6, 1998, and the 90 days transition period will expire on midnight, October 4, 1998. Facilities that were not previously covered by the 1992 Baseline Construction general permit (e.g. new facilities or facilities that failed to apply for their permit to be administratively extended) need to apply immediately for permit coverage, and update the interim pollution prevention plan by October 4, 1008

Failure to apply will result in your facility being unpermitted and in violation of Section 301 of the Clean Water Act. Your cooperation with this NPDES program will help assure that the goals of the Clean Water Act are achieved and that all waters of the United States are fishable and swimmable. If you have any questions, you may phone the Storm Water Hotline at (800)245-6510, the Region 6 Water Quality Protection Division at (214)665-7190, or the Region 6 Compliance Assurance and Enforcement Division at (214)665-7595.

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